

REMARKS

This paper is filed in response to the telephonic interview conducted on April 25, 2006, and supplements Amendment "D" in Response to Advisory Action Dated March 21, 2006, which amendment was filed on April 10, 2006. Claims 1-5 and 11-20 are pending in the application.

Applicants' Interview Summary Record

Applicants' attorney, Gregory C. Mayer, conducted a telephonic interview with Examiner Holzen on April 25, 2006. Applicants wish to thank the examiner for the courtesies extended in setting up and conducting the telephonic interview.

During the interview, the pending claims were discussed, as amended in Amendment "D," and the examiner indicated that further amendments should be made to the claims in order to better clarify the scope thereof. Specifically, the examiner indicated that the phrase "may be" was objectionable as lacking clarity, in claim 1, at line 5, and in claim 27, at line 5. Also, the examiner indicated that the term "sensor set" in claim 1 was a broad term and needed to be clarified.

Accordingly, claims 1 and 27 have been amended to address the examiner's concerns expressed during the telephonic interview. Specifically, the phrase "that may be" has been deleted from claims 1 and 27, and claim 1 has been amended to recite that the sensor set includes a plurality of sensors, all of which are used for both transfer orbit operation and on-station operation of the spacecraft. The phrase "adapted for use" has also been removed from claims 1 and 27.

Conclusion

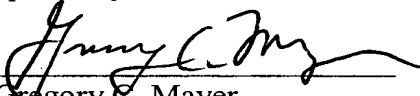
Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance and an early action so indicating is respectfully requested.

No fees are believed due. However, if any fees are due for consideration of this response, or if any petition is needed, please consider this paper as the requisite petition and the Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee to Deposit Account No. 13-2855 of Marshall, Gerstein & Borun LLP. A copy of this paper is enclosed herewith.

Should the examiner wish to discuss the foregoing or any matter of form in an effort to advance this application toward allowance, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below listed number.

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Respectfully submitted,

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